

## **MINUTES**

### **Mansfield Advisory Committee on Persons with Disabilities**

**Regular Meeting - Tuesday April 26, 2005**

**2:30 PM - Conference Room C - Audrey P. Beck Building**

- I. Attendance: K. Grunwald, S. Thompson (Staff), T. Miller, W. Gibbs
- II. Approval of the Minutes for the Meeting of Mar. 22, 2005: minutes were approved as written.
- III. New Business: None
- IV. Old Business
  - a. Membership: No report.
  - b. Update on ADA compliance – Community Center:

No updated report has been received. Kevin G. will contact Curt Vincente regarding a timeline for action or response to the identified issues.
  - c. CT Real Choice: Kevin indicated that the March meeting had been cancelled due to snow, and the rescheduled meeting is April 28. He will attend and report back to the Committee.
  - d. Special Olympics team usage of Community Center: Kevin stated that he'd spoken with Sherry Benoit after the March MACPD meeting, and that she indicated that Scott H. or his wife could contact the office in regard to scheduling. No updated report has been received.
  - e. People First Language: tabled

f. Smart Medical Home: Tom Miller presented an informative media program detailing advances that are being made in home devices which monitor gait, medications, memory, and bacteria or infectious conditions in food or on skin. Immediate treatment intervention can be made as a result of the monitoring, which in turn, could prevent serious medical conditions from developing. The research Home is based at the University of Rochester.

Tom indicated that in addition to this, in-home monitoring and treatment of other medical/mental health conditions is currently in practice in some areas of the country which have little access to direct treatment. This is particularly effective for treatment of children with developmental disorders, as monitoring their progress can be done in the home with telecommunications bringing together all treatment providers.

Meeting adjourned at 3:28 PM; next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 2:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Thompson